REMARKS

Claim 1 has been amended to make it clear that a training speech data is obtained and target speech data to be analyzed is obtained. It is the target speech data to be analyzed that is broken into two portions, both of which may be utilized to analyze speech in one portion.

The cited reference to Yamaguchi, and the relied upon passage, has two portions, but one portion is the training speech and the other portion is the target speech. Thus, the target speech data itself is not broken into two portions, both of which are utilized to analyze one portion of the target speech data to be analyzed itself.

In other words, the claimed invention involves having three items, including training speech data and target speech data to be analyzed that, in turn, includes two portions.

Therefore, claim 1 as amended patentably distinguishes over the cited reference. On a similar analysis, all of the other claims also patentably distinguish over the art of record.

The objections to form have been corrected.

In view of these remarks, the application should now be in condition for allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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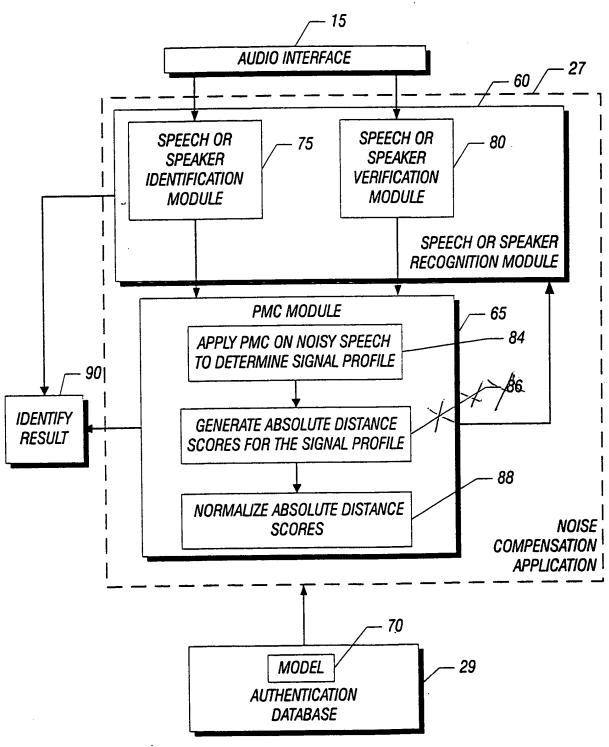


FIG. 2



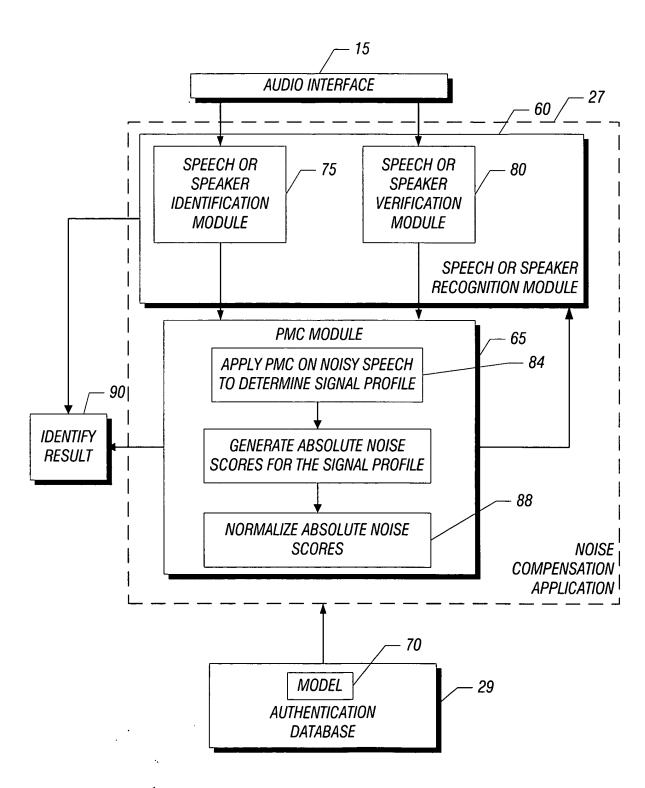
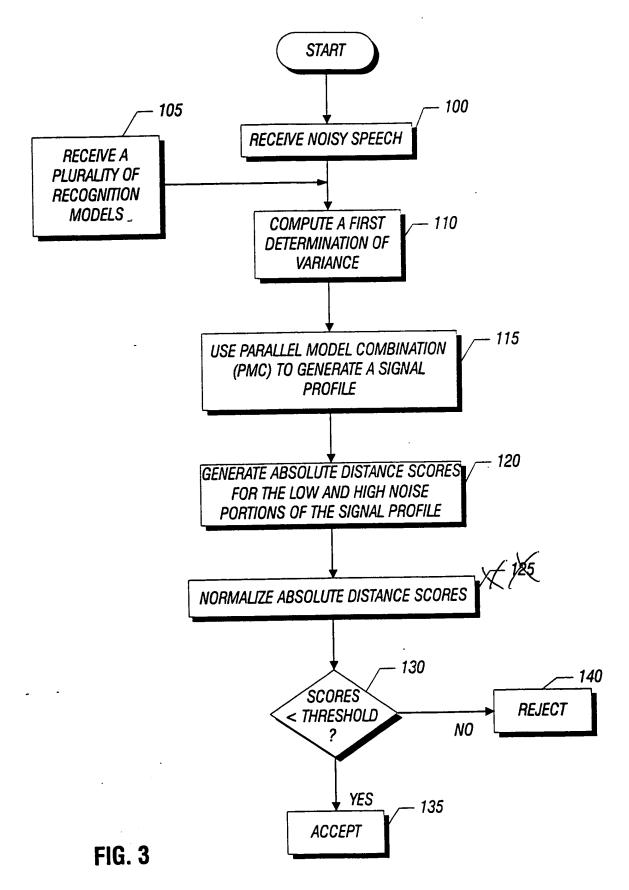


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